

# PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: ZUERCHER

In re Application of:	)
HANS-ULRICH ZUERCHER	)
Int. Appl. No.: PCT/CH2004/000686	)
Int. Filing Date: November 12, 2004	)
For: RESCUE DRAGGING BAG	)

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to B) which are cited in the instant specification. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

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A)	USA	US 5,189,746	Horie	03-02-1993
B)	USA	US 5,050,254	Murphy	09-24-1991

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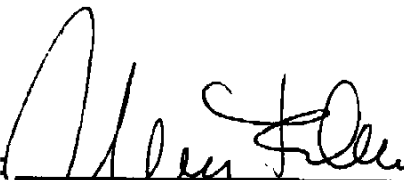
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The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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